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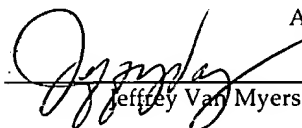
In re Application of:
Stuart D. Green, *et al.*
Serial No.: 09/624,923
Filed: 25 July 2000
For: Method for Communication
Security and Apparatus Therefor

3 February 2006

Art Unit: 2131
Examiner: C. Revak

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SIR:

In the Office Action of 3 November 2005 ("Office Action"), the Examiner:

1. Rejected claims 1, 2, 10, 11, 19 and 21-23 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Landfield, *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,632,011 ("Landfield"), in view of Dutta *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 6,826,694 ("Dutta");
2. Rejected claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Nessett, *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,968,176 ("Nessett"), in view of Sheldon in further view of Antur *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 6,243,815 ("Antur"); and
3. Objected to claims 3-9 and 12-18 as being dependent on a rejected base claim, but indicated that such claims would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the respective base claims and any intervening claims.

Amendment

Applicants hereby request entry of the following amendments.